

SPOILS THE STORY

WHAT THE SHERIFF SAYS OF THE HATFIELD DYNAMITING.

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Wheeling, W. Va., Aug. 17.—On Saturday a story was sent out reporting that a battle had been fought between "Cap" Hatfield and his friends, and officers of Mingo county, in which dynamite and Winchester played prominent parts, three men being killed.

The Register yesterday asked Sheriff Newton J. Keadle of Mingo county for a statement of the case. The following is his answer:

"Williamson, W. V., Aug. 17. "The Register, Wheeling, W. Va.: "There has been no fight with the Hatfields. We have been unable to meet 'Cap' as yet.

(Signed) "N. J. KEADLE, Sheriff." The Register adds:

"There have been several killings in the northern part of this state in quarrels among members of the Hatfield gang and others in the past, but not one killing for fifty years. 'Cap' Hatfield, before his escape from jail two weeks ago, was confined for nothing more serious than involuntary manslaughter and had but hardly five weeks of a three months sentence to serve. There was no other crime charged against him and if he is never captured it will not be a serious matter."

SO ENDS A CARD GAME. Louisville, Aug. 17.—A Times special from Pineville, Ky., says: News has reached here of a double mountain tragedy which was enacted at Chad's Gap, near Pineville, yesterday morning. Jas. Malt, Caleb Hatfield and Joe Mallard, all young men of the neighborhood, camped in Chad's Gap Sunday night. They played cards all night, drinking heavily.

Before morning Hatfield and Mallard, killing for fifty years. They then had a card game. The game broke up and that a drink be taken before continuing around the mountain. They drank, but Mallard threw the contents of the jug in Felt's face and told him to leave them. The latter then drew his pistol and opened fire, killing both Mallard and Hatfield. The latter is related to the notorious 'Cap' Hatfield.

MURDER AND SUICIDE. Asheville, N. C., Aug. 17.—At Hendersonville, twenty miles from here, today Mrs. Ben F. Hood shot her husband, one bullet breaking his right arm and the second taking effect in his left breast, inflicting what may be fatal wounds.

Mrs. Hood then shot herself, dying instantly. The cause of the tragedy is unknown. Mrs. Hood was a Miss Cowles, a native of Ohio, about 50 years. She has a brother in Ohio who is a judge, and the wife of Senator Fairbanks of Indiana is her niece.

HAS DONE HIS TIME. Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 17.—R. A. Hoyt who was released on Saturday from a Tennessee penitentiary, where he served a term for forgery, and immediately disappeared, is not wanted by the police of this city, as has been stated. Hoyt exulted a Los Angeles hotel keeper several years ago, served a year's imprisonment for his crime, and left the state.

UNDER THE GAMING HOUSE LAW. It is Proposed to Close the St. Louis Pool Rooms. St. Louis, Aug. 17.—The newspapers have begun a crusade against the pool rooms, which have multiplied to an alarming extent in the down town district of St. Louis since the breeders' law restricting pool selling to the race tracks was declared unconstitutional by Judge Murphy. General James N. Lewis, vice president of the board of police commissioners, returned from his summer vacation today, and after a conference with Chief Harrison announced that between now and Thursday he hoped to have arranged plans for the suppression of these places. It is believed by prominent lawyers that the pool rooms can be closed under the gaming house ordinance.

CARDS WILL LEAD TO LAWS. John Bull Will Lead His Goods Wherever He Likes.

Washington, Aug. 17.—Word has reached the government that the British steamers are landing freight and passengers at Skagway, Alaska, instead of at Dyea, in direct violation of the law. Dyea is the sub-port of entry on the Lynn canal and Skagway is six miles off. The matter will be investigated by this government. The creation of a sub-port of entry at Dyea several weeks ago was done at the request of the Canadian government, to save passengers the annoyance of disembarking at Juneau and awaiting another steamer for Dyea. The request came from Canada about a month ago and the action of the administration in establishing the sub-port permitted the Canadian vessels to enter at Dyea and land passengers and baggage there.

GAME TWO CAN PLAY AT. Reasons Why Canada Must Act Nicely in Klondike Matters.

Washington, Aug. 17.—It is not believed by officials of the government that any serious hardships will be imposed by Canada upon American miners in the Klondike gold regions. It is pointed out that it would be difficult to enforce any serious impositions upon the miners. Such a course might result in retaliation by the United States so as to make it almost impossible for the Canadians to go or return from the Klondike country. If this country would prevent the Canadian officials from entering the Klondike through American territory, they would be obliged to reach the country over thousands of miles of unexplored country. While it is said that there has been no correspondence bearing directly on the point of impositions upon American miners, there is an intimation that Canada desires to be very friendly as to northwestern conditions, and that there is a disposition to cooperate so as to further the best interests of all concerned. It is stated that in imposing the 10 per cent royalty on the gold output equally on Canadians and Americans the United States can have no cause of complaint.

Acting Postmaster General Shallenberger received a telegram today from the acting postmaster general of Canada,

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From the Sailor Who Shoots the Pigeon, Down to the Gentle Reader, There Are a Dozen Intermediate Narrators—There is a Letter, Also, But the Master of the Aiken Pouches It and the Bird and steams away to the North, Leaving the World to Wait Till He Returns—General News From Foreign Lands.

Christiana, Aug. 17.—Information received here confirms the story published in a dispatch from Hammerfest, Norway, saying that one of the searchers for Herr Andrews met the sealer Aiken about July 22 and was informed by her captain that one of the crew had shot a carrier pigeon between North Cape and Seven Islands, on the north coast of Lapland, bearing a message from the explorer addressed to the Aftonbladet, of Stockholm which read as follows:

"Eighty-two degrees passed. Good journey northward. Andrews."

The date of the message was illegible. The pigeon also carried a letter addressed to the Aftonbladet, but the captain of the Aiken declined to surrender the dispatch of the pigeon and continued his voyage northward.

The news arrived here very indirectly. The information to the commander of the ship Ingeborg, of Tromsø, the latter transmitted the news to the commander of the steamer Express, upon which the Lerner Polar expedition was coming home, and the Express finally passed the news along to the steamer Lofoten, which brought it here.

M. Machuron, who prepared Herr Andrews' balloon, says it was arranged to start the first carrier pigeon twenty-four hours after the boat was launched. The bird shot between North Cape and Seven Islands by one of the crew of the sailing vessel Aiken was probably the first sent out.

MORE HORSE LAUGHTER. London, Aug. 17.—The Westminster Gazette today echoes the editorial of the London Times on bimetallicism, saying that the Associated Press, and says it sees no promise of the India mints re-opening, adding:

"To fool any longer with President McKinley's commission is surely unnecessary. In deciding to abide by the market value of silver as the standard of currency value, India has taken a step towards demoralization of the gold standard, and no one wants to go back on it."

THE TRIBESMEN FLEE. Simla, Aug. 17.—A reconnaissance in the Swat valley has discovered the enemy to be entrenched in the hills between Jalala and Landaki, confirming the reports of the gathering in force of the upper Swatis, Bonerawales and Hanisli fanatics. It is expected that General Blood, the British commander, will order a prompt attack.

Later—General Blood brought his field guns into action against the stone entrance and demolished the works, whereupon the insurgent tribesmen fled.

London, Aug. 18.—A dispatch to the Times from Simla says that at least 3,000 tribesmen were in the fight. The batteries prevented them risking a fight at close quarters, but about 1,000 fled on some line. Then, as the infantry attack developed, they fled, and when the other 2,000 saw their line of retreat threatened, they moved rapidly away.

Lieutenant Greaves of the Lancashire Fusiliers, and Lieutenant MacLean, adjutant of guides, were killed and Captain Palmer was seriously wounded. Lieutenant MacLean was killed while trying to carry away the body of Lieutenant Greaves. The dispatch adds:

"The whole border seems to be in a state of anarchy."

A special dispatch from Simla says that General Blood directed the center of the attack, Colonel McKeljohn occupying the heights to the right of the enemy's position. The Swatis were strongly entrenched at the foot of the mountain, but the British column carried the entrenchments with great dash and the enemy fled. It is believed that General Blood will order a further advance today (Wednesday). There is no longer any doubt that the Afghans are deeply involved in the rebellion, which as yet is no wise suppressed. Such is the condition of things now that the slightest check to British forces would be the signal for a general revolt.

HENRI WILL PULL THROUGH. Paris, Aug. 17.—Prince Henri of Orleans, who was wounded Sunday morning in a duel with the Count of Turin, has passed an excellent night and all danger of a serious outcome from his wound appears to be over.

JACK TAKES ON A STRIKE. Unusual State of Affairs on Board a British Battleship.

Portsmouth, Eng., Aug. 17.—There is great excitement here over a most extraordinary state of affairs on board the British battleship Royal Sovereign, which is about to sail for three years' service with the Mediterranean squadron.

The relations between several of the officers and the seamen are acutely strained.

The latter declare that they are suffering from a variety of very serious grievances, among which, and especially objectionable, is the deferring of the usual leave.

Fifty men have deserted, all the cells on board ship are full and the supply of food is not sufficient for the large number undergoing punishment.

MONEY IN ALL HIS POCKETS. Thomas Hussey, a Venerable Alabama, Visits New York City.

New York, Aug. 17.—A man who said he was Thomas Hussey, 86 years of age, of Montgomery, Ala., entered the American Exchange National bank this afternoon to deposit some bonds. He was very feeble and with trembling hands searched through his leather wallet and his pockets for some coupons. He could not find them and the bank could not do business of the old man. He was sitting on the step of the bank entrance when a policeman of the Broadway squad saw him. The officer noticed that the old man was tired out, so he questioned him and finally took him to the City Slip station house, where the sergeant ordered the officer to search him. The wallet disclosed \$77 in money, a return ticket to Montgomery, Ala., a check on Drexel & Co., Philadelphia, for \$13,000, and an envelope containing forty-eight coupons clipped from some bonds which were found in the old man's tin box. There were eleven \$1,000 bonds

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